

HLHS FORUM HEREFORDSHIRE LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETIES

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*Dorstone
Dig 2015*

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Another quick update for local history groups - with dates through July and on

Tues 12 July & Wednesday 20 July - two last Dig talks at Dorstone Village Hall 7.30

Tuesday July 19 10 am – 2.30 Meet the Hereford Museum Archaeology Volunteers

Sunday July 24 end of the Dorstone Dig - Open Day

Thursday August 11 MHS Lecture on Prince Arthur at Ludlow

Monday am August 15 HARC Workshop – House History with Philip Bouchier

September 8-11th Heritage Open Days

September 10 & 11 Re-enactment of Battle of Mortimers Cross @ Croft Castle

Monday am September 12 HARC Workshop – Objects of Charity with Sylvia Piches

September 2-4 Historic Farm Buildings Group – Autumn Conference, Abergavenny

September 14 Talk on the Black Mountains & Vale of Ewyas by Prof. David Austen

Monday am 17 October HARC Workshop – Green Lanes with Heather Hurley

Festival of Archaeology 2016 - over 1000 events across the UK

***Meet the Hereford Museum Archaeology Volunteers
at the Herefordshire's Museum Resources & Learning Centre
58 Friar Street, Hereford HR4 OAS
Tuesday 19 July 10am - 2.30pm***

***Find out what the volunteers do. See some of the fascinating artefacts
from Ice Age hyena teeth to Roman coins. Go on a 'Behind the scenes
'tour' of the Archaeological collections and the Conservation laboratory.
Have a go at Museums collections work. Free.***

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DORSTONE HALLS OF THE DEAD

End of six seasons of archaeological dig

Last 2 of the Dorstone talks at Dorstone Village Hall 7.30pm £1

Tuesday 12 July Dr Nick Overton: *People & Animals of the British Mesolithic*

Wednesday 20 July Prof. Julian Thomas: *Six seasons of work 2011-2016*

Dorstone Hill in British (and European) Neolithic studies

Open Day at Dorstone Dig – Sunday 24 July

final weekend of the Manchester University Dig - Free

See website for details - dorstonehistorysociety.wordpress.com

*Prince Arthur: Ludlow, the
Marches and the training of
the first Tudor Prince of Wales*

Lecture by Dr Sean Cunningham

at St Laurence's Church, Ludlow

Thursday 11 August

Organised by Mortimer History Society,
Ludlow Palmers & the Ludlow Historical
Research Group . Members £5

mortimerhistorysociety.org.uk

HEREFORD CATHEDRAL – ST JOHN'S WALK PROJECT

As the building work on the Cloister itself has been completed, we are now in the process of running activities and tours throughout the summer and into the autumn. Please feel free to share this information with your contacts as appropriate, and I hope that you will be able to come along for a visit to see what's been done, or join us at one of the events.

- *Message from Clare Wichbold* - and look on the Cathedral website for details

Normal office days, Monday - Wednesday, but please note this may vary

Hereford Cathedral Perpetual Trust, 5 College Cloisters - Hereford HR1 2NG

01432 374261 tel

www.herefordcathedral.org/how-to-help/hereford-cathedral-perpetual-trust

HARC WORKSHOPS

Monthly workshops at HARC from 10.30 – 12.30 designed to promote the wealth of HARC collections, helping with local history research, finding out what lies within Herefordshire's collections of records. Pre-booking with HARC essential, costs £5 or £8:

Monday August 15 Introduction to **House History** with Philip Bouchier

Monday September 12 **Objects of Charity:** investigating the records of the charities
with Sylvia Pinches

Monday October 17 **Green Lanes:** the fascinating records of Herefordshire's
old lanes and roads, with Heather Hurley

HISTORIC FARM BUILDINGS

GROUP <http://www.hfbg.org.uk>

Autumn conference

in the Abergavenny – Brecon

Area of south-east Wales

2-4 SEPTEMBER 2016

There have been exciting recent restorations of historic farm buildings, including for innovative new uses, within and around the edges of the Brecon Beacons National Park. HFBG will be working with the 'Village Alive Trust', which was founded in Monmouthshire in 2002 to help private owners obtain grants and access best practice to conserve the fabric of their historic buildings (see www.villagealivetrust.org.uk) The conference will begin on the Friday evening, welcoming delegates to 'Village Alive country', about 3 miles north-east of Abergavenny.

The Saturday programme will be based around Ty Mawr, near Llangorse Lake, about 6 miles south-east of Brecon. There was Norman activity in the area from the late C11 and a manor house, known as Tallylyn House occupied the site of the present farm by C16. There will be visits to interesting farm buildings in the area.

The Sunday will start at Village Alive's latest completed project, Grade II* listed Croft Farm Barn. The cruck barn was built in the early 1580s, confirmed by dendrochronology, and is mentioned in the classic: 'Monmouthshire Houses' by Fox & Raglan (1951-4).

Evening meals will be provided on both the Friday and Saturday evenings within the cost of the Conference but overnight accommodation will be on a 'DIY' basis in B&B or hotel accommodation. For the draft programme and booking form please see the HFBG website or mail Jgrundy2005@aol.com

Heritage Open Days 8th - 11th September

Visit www.heritageopendays.org.uk for full details of each venue.

Entries will start appearing on the website in mid-July

John Kyrle- Man of Ross-on-Wye House

Herefordshire Venues

Bromyard History Society 5 Sherford Street Bromyard HR7 8DL	Saturday 10 th September	Afternoon (tbc)
Kington Museum Mill Street Kington HR5 3AL	Thursday 8 th September Friday 9 th September Saturday 10 th September	10.30am-4pm 10.30am-4pm 10.30am-1pm
John Kyrle Summerhouse High Street Ross on Wye HR0 5VZ	Sunday 11 th September	2pm-5pm
Longworth Chapel Bartestree Hereford HR1 4DX	Saturday 10 th September	10.30am-4pm
Merton House Hotel Edde Cross Street Ross on Wye HR9 7BZ	Sunday 11 th September	2pm-5pm
Museum Resource & Learning Centre 58 Friars Street Hereford HR4 OAS	Thursday 8 th September	10am-12pm Meet the Pests. A chance to drop in and see the pests caught in our traps and meet our volunteer entomologist. Event not suitable for children under the age of 5
Treferanon St Weonards HR2 8QF	Saturday 10 th September Sunday 11 th September	2pm-5pm 2pm-5pm
Wythall Bulls Hill, Walford Ross on Wye HR9 5SD	Sunday 11 th September	2pm-5pm
Rotherwas Chapel	Saturday 10 th September	Afternoon

If you have a venue that you'd like to open for Heritage Open Days please contact Sarah Chedgoy, Cultural Services, Herefordshire Council 01432 260731 schedgoy@herefordshire.gov.uk who will be able to add your details to the national website. **The deadline for getting information to Sarah is 13th July.**

Saturday 10 & Sunday 11
Re-enactment of the
Battle of Mortimers Cross
at Croft Castle

**Bromyard & District
Local History Society
invites you to a talk
at the Conquest Theatre
by Professor David Austin
Wednesday 14 September
7.30pm
Members free, visitors £3**

***The medieval and early modern landscapes of the Black Mountains with
a focus on the Vale of Ewyas buildings***

The magnificent later 15th century hall-house at Llwyn Celyn, at the southern end of the Vale of Ewyas in the Black Mountains, is currently being restored by the Landmark Trust. Professor Austin has worked with them to understand something of its documented history involving reconstructing landscapes and understanding something of the social dynamics of a long-running dispute between tenants and landlords which began during the time of Owain Glyndŵr at the beginning of the 15th century.

David Austin is Emeritus Professor at the University of Wales, a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of London, of the Royal Historical Society and the Learned Society of Wales. He is a landscape archaeologist with interests spanning from the Middle Ages to modern times and he has conducted a series of major excavations in Britain and France with a growing focus on Wales.

Hereford City of Culture 2021

<https://gallery.mailchimp.com/0a55928e40d91217ca7147c42/images/71d1923d-2fc0-41ee-8083-3ffbd05bb8fb.jpg>

Latest news update from the bid for City of Culture

Communications Launch

Since our last newsletter Hereford's bid for City of Culture has moved forward at quite a pace. The key developments that have happened include promoting the key messages, which can be found on the new [website](#). There has been a communications toolkit launched which includes a 'back the bid' poster, logo, headed paper which can all be [downloaded](#), printed and displayed anywhere public.

Social media accounts have been very active since the great footage on BBC Breakfast TV, with over 100,000 views on the Facebook page alone. 40 key players from the county attended a launch event at The Courtyard on Thursday 23 June. This was a meeting to communicate all the progress that has happened so far, and the next steps to come before the website went live on 27 June. We received some great quotes about the bid, here are a couple:

"Join together, one county, many cultures, #supportthebid"

"Small City with a big heart, Hereford for UK City of Culture 2021. Join the winning team"

"Hereford has a great story to tell. The bid gives us a chance to show the rest of the country what it's missing!"

www.herefordcityofculture.org